**Docket Nos.**: 01-0338 **Bench Date**: 07-31-01 **Deadline**: 08-12-01

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Commission

FROM: Michael L. Wallace, Administrative Law Judge

**DATE:** July 27, 2001

**SUBJECT:** TDS Metrocom, Inc.

Petition for Arbitration of Interconnection Rates, Terms and Conditions and Related Arrangements with Illinois Bell Telephone Company d/b/a Ameritech Illinois Pursuant To Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Enter attached Arbitration Decision

The ALJ's Proposed Arbitration Decision was served on July 18, 2001. Exceptions were received July 24, 2001 and Replies to Exceptions were received July 27, 2001. The Proposed Arbitration Decision is now submitted for consideration as a Final Decision. Some changes were made in Issues 4 (TDS-30), 5 (TDS-32), 14 (TDS-41), 18 (TDS-80), and 27 (TDS-119), in response to the parties Briefs on Exceptions. In addition, typographical errors were corrected and minor editorial changes were made. All changes are in legislative style. Only in Issue 5 (TDS-32) was there a substantive change made to the conclusion, which now notes that certain sections proposed by TDS should be included because no showing was made of an inconsistency with a prior Commission order. No other conclusions were changed.

MLW/lw